MARSH CHAPEL AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

University Interdenominational Protestant
Service of Worship
Sunday, March 19th, 2017 – 11:00 a.m.
The Third Sunday in Lent

The Reverend Doctor Robert Allan Hill, Dean

* Please rise, as you are able.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude  Three Chorale Preludes from Op. 122
Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

3. O Welt, ich muß dich lassen [UMH 631]
4. Herzlich tut mich erfreuen
5. Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele [UMH 612]

Call to Worship and Greeting

The Dean: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
The Dean: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
People: God's mercy endures forever.

* Introit  Lamb of God
F. Melius Christiansen (1871-1955)

Lamb of God most holy! Who on the cross didst suffer,
Patient still and lowly, Thyself to scorn didst offer;
Our sins by thee were taken, Or hope had us forsaken:
Have mercy on us, O Jesu!

Nicolaus Decius; tr. Arthur T. Russell

* Hymn 479  Jesus, lover of my soul
ABERYSTWYTH

* Collect (in unison)

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.
Kyrie

Kyrie in D minor, K. 90

W. A. Mozart (1756-1791)

Kyrie eleison,
Christe eleison,
Kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy,
Christ, have mercy,
Lord, have mercy.

Assurance of Pardon

The Dean: If we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

All: Thanks be to God.

Lesson Romans 5:1-11

Lector: A lesson St. Paul’s epistle to the Romans, chapter 5, verses 1-11:

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem Prayer to Jesus

George Oldroyd (1887-1956)

Jhesu, since Thou me made and bought,
be Thou my love and all my thought,
and help that I may to Thee be brought,
withouten Thee I may do nought.

Jhesu, since Thou must do Thy will,
and nothing is that Thee may let,
with Thy grace my heart fulfil,
my love and my liking in Thee is set.
Jhesu, at Thy will I pray that I might be,
all my heart fulfil, with perfect love to Thee.
That I have done ill, Jhesu, forgive Thou me,
and suffer me never to spill, Jhesu for pity.

Richard Rolle (1300-1349)

Psalm 95

The antiphon is sung twice, first by choir alone, and then by choir and congregation.

🎵 Antiphon (sung by all)

Hard-en not your hearts; lis-ten to God’s voice.

Cantor: O come, let us sing to the LORD;
   let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
People: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
   let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
Cantor: For the LORD is a great God,
   and a great King above all gods.
People: In his hand are the depths of the earth;
   the heights of the mountains are his also.
Cantor: The sea is his, for he made it,
   and the dry land, which his hands have formed.
People: O come, let us worship and bow down,
   let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!
Cantor: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture,
   and the sheep of his hand.
   O that today you would listen to his voice!
People: Do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah,
   as on the day at Massah in the wilderness,
Cantor: when your ancestors tested me, and put me to the proof,
   though they had seen my work.
People: For forty years I loathed that generation and said,
   “They are a people whose hearts go astray,
   and they do not regard my ways.”
Therefore in my anger I swore, “They shall not enter my rest.”  🎵
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Gospel Lesson  John 4:5-42

Lector: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John, chapter 4, verses 5-42:
People: Glory to you, O Lord.

So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you." Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?" Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?" They left the city and were on their way to him. Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something." But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." So
the disciples said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest'? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor." Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I have ever done." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world."

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Hymn 175 Jesus, the very thought of thee St. Agnes

Sermon “In Conversation with Nouwen: Life of the Beloved”
The Reverend Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean

Call to Prayer Lead me, Lord (sung by all) Lead Me, Lord

The music to this hymn is found on page 473 of the United Methodist Hymnal.

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness;
Make thy way plain before my face.
For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord only,
That maketh me dwell in safety.

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer (in unison)

Response from the “St. Matthew Passion, BWV 244” J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Ich will hier bei dir stehen, I will stay here with You,
Verachte mich doch nicht! do not scorn me!
Von dir will ich nicht gehen, I will not leave You,
Wenn dir dein Herze bricht. even as Your heart breaks.
Wenn dein Herz wird erblassen When Your heart grows pale
Im letzten Todesstoß, at the last stroke of death,
Alsdenn will ich dich fassen, Then I will hold You fast
In meinen Arm und Schoß. In my arm and bosom.
Community Life and Offering

At the Offertory

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks, so longeth my soul after thee, O God. My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God. When shall I come to appear before the presence of God? My tears have been my meat day and night, while they daily say unto me, Where is now thy God?

Psalm 42:1-3

*Presentation of the Gifts* *(sung by all)*

*Offertory Prayer*

*Hymn 465* Holy Spirit, Truth divine

*Cantebury*

*Benediction*

*Response* God be in my head

*Old English Prayer from Sarum Primer*

*Postlude* Toccata from Suite Gothique, Op. 25

*Leon Boëllmann* (1862-1897)

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The preacher is the Rev. Dr. Robert Allan Hill, Dean of the Chapel. The Marsh Chapel Choir is conducted by Dr. Scott Allen Jarrett, Director of Music. The organist is Justin Thomas Blackwell, Associate Director of Music.
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**TODAY**
9:45 a.m.  Morning Study Group (Thurman Room)
10:35 a.m.  Take Note (Robinson Chapel)
10:40 a.m.  Intercessory Silent Prayer Group (Nave)
11:00 a.m.  Interdenominational Protestant Worship (Nave)
11:50 a.m.  Children’s Education (Thurman Room)
12:00 noon  Coffee Hour (Marsh Room)
12:30 p.m.  **Women’s Forum (Sloane House, 135 Ivy Street)**

**MONDAY**
12:15 p.m.  Monday Meditation (Robinson Chapel)
6:00 p.m.  Community Dinner (Marsh Room)

**TUESDAY**
3:00 p.m.  Create Space (Marsh Room)
5:00 p.m.  **Dean’s Choice: Questrom Dean’s Speaker Series**
           “The Future of Dodd-Frank” (School of Business)
6:00 p.m.  Global Dinner Club (Thurman Room)

**WEDNESDAY**
5:15 p.m.  Ecumenical Evening Prayer (Nave)

**THURSDAY**
12:00 p.m.  Silence Practice (Nave)
12:20 p.m.  Common Ground Communion (Marsh Plaza)
5:00 p.m.  Spiritual Life Yoga (Robinson Chapel)

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12:30 p.m.  Abolitionist Chapel Today (Thurman Room)

Marsh Chapel is pleased to offer childcare during our Sunday morning services. Inquiries can be made at the main office on the lower level of the building.

Our children’s education is available every Sunday during the school semester excluding the first Sunday of the month. Those interested are invited to leave the service during the last hymn for a time of lessons, crafts, and fun.

We are happy to provide free parking for the Sunday morning service (11:00 a.m.) in the lot behind the College of Arts and Sciences (accessible via Bay State Road).
Welcome to Marsh Chapel

We thank you for joining us this morning for worship, and hope that you have found the Spirit of God in our midst. If you are interested in becoming a member of Marsh Chapel, or have other questions, please feel free to contact any of the Chaplains or Associates listed below.

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